BLOOD LOST FOR BOTH THE CAPULETS AND MONTAGUE

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Mercutio Montague and Tybalt Capulet have been killed. They were both killed today in the middle of town. According to eye witnesses these two men were killed because of Tybalt Capulet challenged Romeo Montague to a duel. Tybalt probable challenged Romeo to a duel because of the hate between the two families of the Montague’s and the Capulet’s. Romeo said no, but Mercutio was willing to fight. The two men were killed by stab from a sword.

From what information we got from the eyewitnesses it appears that Romeo, Mercutio, and Benvolio Montague were walking down the street when they saw Tybalt come out of nowhere. Tybalt said that he wanted to fight Romeo, but Romeo declined this challenge. Mercutio was will to fight Tybalt, so he tried everything to get Tybalt to draw his sword. Tybalt finally did draw his sword and Mercutio and he started to duel.

During this Romeo tried to stop them. He got between them to hold the two men apart, but it was too late. Tybalt stab Merctio under Romeo’s arm and then fled the scene. Romeo tried to help Merctio, but his life was already fading away. Tybalt then returned to see if Romeo would duel him this time.

This time Romeo did and he killed Tybalt. Romeo just stood there a few seconds to realize what he had just done. He then fled the scene, just before the Prince Escalus showed up. He demanded to know what had just happened. Benvolio said, “There lays the man, slain by Romeo that slew thy kinsman, brave Mercutio.” He was begged my Lady Capulet for justice who said “I beg for justice, which thou, prince, must give. Romeo slew Tybalt; Romeo must not live.” The Prince in response said “Romeo slew him; he slew Mercutio.” This was a hard choice for the Prince because after all Mercutio was a blood relative. In the end the Prince decided to banish Romeo from Verona till the end of his days. Even though Lady Capulet said that Romeo should be put to death the Prince had made up his mind and stuck with it.